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**SRI K. VINAYAKAM :** Have the Government any confidence in the efficacy of this system of medicine or is it only lip sympathy that is shown by the Government?

**MR. SPEAKER :** Insinuations must not be there in questions. The hon. Member is making an insinuation. Anyway, if the Hon. Minister is going to answer, he can do so.

**THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :** The Government have recognized this system because it is also based on certain principles. It is being practiced in many other States also. The Government have not seen any illeffect on people taking up the system of treatment.

**SRI N. K. PALANISAMI :** சர்க்கார் இந்த முறையை ஒத்துக் கொண்ட பிறகு ஏன் ஆஸ்பத்திரியையும், காலேஜையும் சர்க்கார் கட்ட ஏற்பாடு செய்யக் கூடாது?

**THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :** நான் முன்பே சொன்னேன், இதை அங்கீகரித்தோம். அதை அமுலில் கொண்டு வருவதுபற்றி வேண்டிய விதிகளுக்கு எல்லாம் ஏற்பாடு செய்ய வேண்டும். அதையெல்லாம் ஏற்பாடு செய்த பிற்பாடு அரசாங்கம் ஏதாவது செய்யமுடியுமா அல்லது வேறு யாராவது முன்வந்தால் அவர்களுக்கு உதவி செய்யலாமா என்பதையெல்லாம் அப்புறந் தான் ஆலோசிக்கவேண்டும்.

*Proceeds under the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act*

\* 7 Q.—**SRI K. VINAYAKAM :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state the amount demanded by the Corporation of Madras as compensation for maintenance of roads, as share from the proceeds under the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act?

**THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH :** In 1956 and 1957 the Corporation of Madras requested that it may be paid as compensation a share of not less than 90 per cent of the amount of tax collected on motor vehicles within the City of Madras under the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act. This request was not complied with.

**SRI K. VINAYAKAM :** May I know the amount collected under this head by the Government of Madras in the City of Madras and the proportion of tax that is now being given back to the Corporation to enable it to maintain these roads?

**THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH :** We have collected Rs. 60,99,221 in 1956-57, Rs. 68,53,156 in 1957-58 and Rs. 72,30,180 in 1958-59. Out of these, the Corporation is being paid annually Rs. 3,57,000 as toll compensation under the Motor Vehicles Act. The Corporation is also paid a sum of Rs. 7,843 as licence fee compensation.

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**SRI K. VINAYAKAM :** Is it a fact that with the advent of a new party into the Corporation Council, the Corporation is refusing to maintain these roads properly without a greater share of the taxes being paid to it?

**MR. SPEAKER :** The hon. Member cannot accuse any party here. Why should he drag in a party which is not in this House? He can put a simple question.

**SRI K. VINAYAKAM :** Are the roads now maintained properly?

**MR. SPEAKER :** That would be correct. The hon. Member must have modified his question accordingly.

**THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH :** The request for enhanced payment of compensation under the Motor Vehicles Act has been coming up for a number of years. It is not due to this party or that party being in power. The Government have been considering the request from time to time. Now, apart from the fixed annual payment made by the Government, we are also giving an *ex gratia* grant of nearly five lakhs of rupees for the last two or three years to the Corporation. In 1955-56, we have given one lakh of rupees; in 1956-57, we have given another lakh of rupees; in 1957-58, we have given 30,000 rupees; in 1958-59, we have given 45,000 rupees; in 1959-60, we have given 35,000 rupees. Another grant of 0.32 lakh of rupees is regularly paid to the Corporation for the maintenance of Mount Road and the Poonamallee High Road, besides 0.10 lakh of rupees for the maintenance of culverts and bridges in the City.

**SRI A. A. RASHEED :** Is the Hon. Minister aware that Mount Road and the Poonamallee High Road are in a very bad state of repair? What are the steps taken by the Government to have them repaired?

**THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH :** We have stated that we give the Corporation a grant of nearly 0.32 lakh of rupees for this purpose.

**SRI K. ANBAZHAGAN :** தலைவர் அவர்களே, சென்னை மவுண்ட் ரோடும், அதேபோல் பூந்தமல்லி நெடுஞ்சாலை ஆகிய இருபெரும் சாலைகளையும் அரசாங்கமே மேற்கொண்டு அவைகளின் செப்ப னிடும் பொறுப்பை ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளவேண்டுமென்று நகராண்மைக் கழகத்தார் வேண்டுகோள் விடுத்திருக்கிறார்கள். அதை அரசாங்கம் கவனித்ததா?

**THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH :** அதுபோன்ற வேண்டுகோளை நான் பார்க்கவில்லை. இருந்தாலும் அந்த இரண்டு பெரிய ரஸ்தாக்களையும் நல்லவிதமாக மராமத்து பார்க்கவேண்டுமென்ற காரணத்தினால் நான் முதலில் சொன்னபடி 0.32 லட்சம் இதற்காக பிரத்தியேகமாக கொடுத்து வரப்படுகிறது.



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**SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER :** Is there any proposal to revise the method of distribution of taxes collected under the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act among the districts on the basis of collections in the preceding years?

**MR. SPEAKER :** I am afraid the hon. Member is going beyond the scope of the main question which is about taxes collected in the City and payment of compensation to the Corporation. The hon. Member is referring to the districts. Any way, if the Hon. Minister has information, I have no objection to his answering the question.

**THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH :** As far as this question is concerned, it is a simple one. When the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act came into force, a compensation scheme was worked out whereby a sum equivalent to the average annual income of the local body during the three years ending 31st March 1931 from such tolls or vehicle taxes on motor vehicles or both is being paid. I do not think we can reopen the question now.

*Subsidy to fishermen for the purchase of boats*

\* 8 Q.—**SRI M. S. SELVARAJAN :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state how much and under what conditions subsidy is being granted to fishermen for the purchase of boats?

**THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON :** No subsidy is granted to fishermen for purchase of boats. But mechanised boats built by the Department under the Five-Year Plan Schemes are sold at subsidised rates. The subsidy allowed is as follows :—

(a) For the First batch of 20 boats constructed from out of the surplus funds under the First Five-Year Plan, 25 per cent of the cost of boat (both engines and hull together) was granted as subsidy.

(b) For the boats constructed under the Second Five-Year Plan Scheme, 50 per cent of the cost of the engine and 25 per cent of the cost of the hull are treated as subsidy.

**SRI M. S. SELVARAJAN :** ஸார், சர்க்கார் தரப்பில் இந்தத் தோணிகளைக் கட்டுவதற்குப் பதிலாக ஆங்காங்கு ஜில்லாக்களில் இருக்கக்கூடிய “பிஷர்மென் பெட்ரேஷன்” மூலமாக இந்த வேலையை செய்து முடிப்பதற்கு ஒப்புவித்தால் இந்தத் தோணிகள் அவர்களுக்குத்தான் கிடைக்கிறது என்ற காரணத்தினால் மிகவும் நல்ல முறையில் செய்வார்கள் என்ற அபிப்பிராயத்தைச் சர்க்கார் பரிசீலித்து அதன் பேரில் நடவடிக்கை எடுக்க முன் வருமா?

**THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON :** இப்போது கட்டப்படும் போட்டுகள் ஸொஸைட்டிகளோ அல்லது மற்ற கூட்டுறவு சங்கங்கள் மூலமாகவோ கட்டுவதற்கு தகுந்த அளவில் பெருவாரியாக செய்யப்படுவதில்லை. சுருக்கமாகத்தான் செய்யப்பட்டு வருகின்றது.